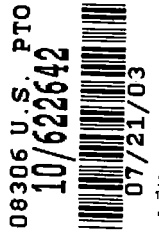


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Sir:

This is a request for filing a X continuation or ___ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No. 10/142,864
Filed on May 13, 2003
Of Koji HIRATA et al
Entitled: PROJECTION LENS SYSTEM AND
PROJECTION IMAGE DISPLAY APPARATUS
USING THE SAME
Examiner: J. Schwartz
Group: 2873

- X 1. Accompanying this order is a true copy of the prior application as originally filed. Total pages 103 (including specification cover sheet and 24 sheets of drawings depicting Figures 1-31)
- ___ 2. New Formal drawings are being filed herewith consisting of sheet(s), depicting Figures ____.
- X 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney:
- a. ___ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. X Copy from prior application
 - i. ___ Deletion of Inventors - signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application

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- X 11. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/142,864, filed May 13, 2002, which is a continuation of Serial No. 09/793,561, filed February 27, 2001 (US Patent No. 6,396,641, which is a continuation of Serial No. 09/495,908, filed February 2, 2000 (US Patent No. 6,243,211), which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/340,198, filed June 28, 1999 (US Patent No. 6,046,860), which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/764,649, filed December 11, 1996 (US Patent No. 5,946,142).--
- X 12. Priority of Appln. Nos. 7-321430, filed in Japan on December 11, 1995 and 8-124330, filed in Japan on May 20, 1996 is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
- X 13. A certified copy of each said priority document was filed in application Serial No. 08/764,649 on December 11, 1996.
- X 14. The prior application is assigned of record to Hitachi, Ltd.
- X 15. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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- X a. The power appears in the original application papers in the prior application.
- ___ b. Since the power does not appear in the original application papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- ___ c. Attached is a duplicate of a Supplemental Declaration which was filed in the prior application to overcome informalities.
- X d. Address all future correspondence to:

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- X 16. All Form PTO-892's and 1449's listing prior art made of record in the prior application are attached. A copy of each of the listed references should be available in the prior application file.
- ___ 17. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO 1449 listing prior art made of record in the prior application is attached.
- ___ 18. A Preliminary Amendment is being filed herewith.
- X 19. Return Receipt Postcard.
- X 20. Other: Application Data Sheet

Respectfully submitted,



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